

--- “Series of 1873” - RED - Division Open - “BOXES” – for Warehousing - 60 x 112 mm. ---

Chris Ryan, “Canadian Revenue Newsletter”, No. 39, May 2002

“The CADDY excise stamp was redesigned in 1871, with the first delivery by BABN occurring at the end of July. ... New BOXES stamps were added later in red (pre-October 1873) and in black (post-October 1873). Initially and predominantly, these new upright rectangular stamps were printed from steel plates, with some later production by lithographic transfers. Lithographic versions included a small 1882 shipment of green caddy stamps for use in Montreal. This green caddy stamps was only produced by lithography.

The blue Customs versions of the new box and caddy stamps did not appear until 1881, following the December 1880 assumption by the Revenue Department of responsibility for the procurement of Customs tobacco stamps. The entire supply of these Customs stamps was printed by lithography.

In September 1874 the Revenue Department authorized the preparation of the first Division-specific stamps for manufactured tobacco. These stamps bear the printed name of the Revenue Division and signature of its Collector in the spaces previously left blank to be filled in by hand or rubberstamp. The first of these personalized stamps were prepared for use in Montreal and Toronto. It is surmised that similar stamps for other Divisions were subsequently introduced overtime as warranted by numbers used.”

Chris Ryan, “Canadian Revenue Newsletter”, No. 40, December 2002

“Passage of the 1880 Statute affected the ‘large’ tobacco stamps in two significant ways. The first effect was the deletion of the reference on the stamps to the previous Statute **XXXI VICT. CAP. VIII**. On July 1st 1880, BABN was instructed by the Revenue Department to remove all references to the old Statute from the existing printing plates. ... The second effect was the overprinting of the Box stamps with the new weight limit of **one hundred and ten pounds**. ... The timing of this overprinting, which is known reading both up and down in different type faces and colours, has not yet been determined by this writer. Lee Brandom lists as **M-134** a “Montreal” Division red Box stamp with **XXXI VICT. CAP. VIII** removed, but without the weight restriction added. However, the price quoted by Brandom for this stamp indicates that he thought it to be a very rare item. This extreme scarcity is perhaps an indication that the decision to overprint the weight limit was made soon after the new design of Box stamps had been prepared.”

The catalogue list the Division “Open” red BOXES warehousing stamps as follows:

RM-69 - BOXES, Open, red, perf 12, on *diagonally wmkd* vertically laid paper, 5 mm. control numbers

RM-69a - BOXES, Open, red, perf 12, on *unwmkd* thick wove, with 5 mm. control numbers

RM-69b - BOXES, Open, red, perf 12, on *block wmkd* thick wove, with 5 mm. control numbers

RM-221 - RM-69b overprinted with **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** in upper and lower case letters, reading down

RM-221a - RM-69b overprinted with **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** reading up - **WANTED!**

1st BABN Contract (1868-1873)

John McKay records that 193,980 *recess printed* copies of “Tobacco Boxes, W. H. E. Red” and 138,522 *lithographed* copies of “Red Tobacco” were ‘delivered’.

Lee Brandom lists the 1868 square red BOXES stamp as *lithographed*. The *recess printed* entry is the first record of the preparation of the red 1873 Division “Open” vertically oriented BOXES stamp **RM-69**.

--- RM-69 - “Series of 1871” - RED - Division Open - “BOXES” - 1st BABN Contract (1873) ---

--- Recess printed on diagonally watermarked vertically laid paper - perforated 12 ---

--- “W. H. Entry No.” on the 4th line - 60 x 112 mm. - 5 mm. blue controls - scanned at 75% scale ---

Lee Brandom should list the Division “Open” red BOXES warehousing stamps as follows:

RM-69 - BOXES, Open, red, perf 12, on *diagonally wmkd* vertically laid paper, 5 mm. controls



★ **RM-69** - BOXES, red, Division Open, perforated 12, with 5 mm. blue control number **177837**, recess printed on *diagonally watermarked* vertically laid paper, used at *Toronto* by Licensee # 7, for 116 pounds of *Cavendish*, W. H. Entry 2107, signed by *W. C. Stratton*, dated 10 / 73, for November 1873

160301 ★	05/72	RM-69	BOXES, red, Division Open, on diagonally watermarked vertically laid paper, used on 61 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> at <i>Halifax</i> by Licensee # 2, dated 21 / 72 in black ink, signed by <i>James Nash, pro</i>
177837 ★	11/73	RM-69	BOXES, red, Division Open, on diagonally watermarked vertically laid paper, used on 116 lbs. <i>Cavendish</i> at <i>Toronto</i> by Licensee # 7, dated 10 / 73 in black ink, signed by <i>W.C. Stratton</i>

Note: According to John McKay the *lithographed* square red BOXES stamp, was control numbered to **138522**. It seems from the above control numbering that the control number sequence was continued from this point with 193,980 of the *recess printed* vertical red BOXES “Division Open” stamp **RM-69**. Thus under the **1st BABN Contract**:

The square *lithographed* stamp ran **000001** to **138522** and the *recess printed* vertical “Division Open” **RM-69** ran from **138523** to **332502** on *diagonally watermarked* vertically laid paper as **RM-69**, on *unwatermarked* wove paper as **RM-69a**, and finally on *block watermarked* medium wove as **RM-69b**.

--- RM-69a - "Series of 1873" - RED - Division Open - BOXES - 1st BABN Contract (1873) ---

--- *Recess printed on unwatermarked vertical mesh thick wove - perforated 12* ---

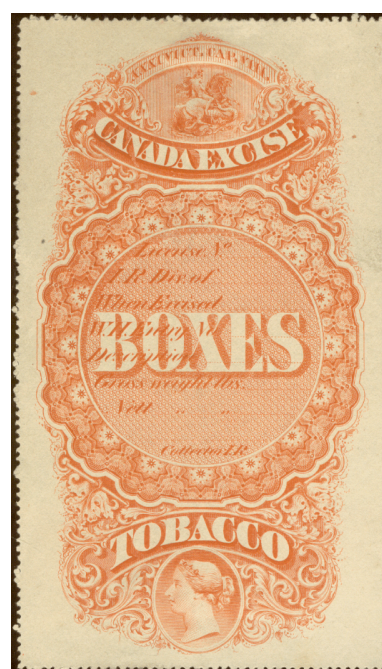
--- "W. H. Entry No." on the 4th line - 60 x 112 mm. - 5 mm. blue controls - scanned at 75% scale ---

Lee Brandom should list the Division "Open" red BOXES warehousing stamps in order of printing as follows:

RM-69a - BOXES, Open, red, perf 12, on *unwmkd* thick wove, with 5 mm. control numbers - **WANTED!**

Note: According to John McKay the *lithographed* square red BOXES stamp, was control numbered to **138522**. The control number sequence was continued from this point with 193,980 of the *recess printed* vertical red BOXES "Division Open" stamp **RM-69**. Thus under the **1st BABN Contract**:

The square *lithographed* ran **000001** to **138522**, and the *recess printed* vertical "Division Open" **RM-69** ran from **138523** to **332502** on a variety of watermarked and unwatermarked paper.



RM-69a - BOXES, red, Division Open, red, perforated 12, with 5 mm. blue control number **232549**,
recess printed on *unwatermarked* vertical mesh thick wove,
used at *Toronto* by Licensee # 4, for 37 pounds of *Cavendish*, W. H. Entry 318,
dated 21 / 76 for May 1876 - *from the collection of Fritz Angst*

★ **RM-69an** - BOXES, red, Division Open, red, perforated 12, without control numbering,
recess printed on *unwatermarked* vertical mesh thick wove\

232549	05/76	RM-69a	BOXES, red, Division Open, on <i>unwatermarked</i> vertical mesh thick wove, on 37 lbs. of <i>Cavendish</i> at <i>Toronto</i> , by Licensee # 4, dated 21 / 76, W. H. Entry # 318
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Chris Ryan lists *John Morrow* as Port Collector in *Toronto*, from March 1st 1875 until November 30th 1880, when he was succeeded by *W.C. Stratton* on December 1st 1880.

--- RM-69b - "Series of 1873" - RED - Division Open - BOXES - 1st BABN Contract (1873) ---

--- Recess printed on block watermarked horizontal mesh thick wove - perforated 12 ---

--- "W. H. Entry No." on the 4th line - 60 x 112 mm. - 5 mm. blue controls - scanned at 75% scale ---

Lee Brandom should list the Division Open, red, BOXES warehousing stamps in order of printing as follows:

RM-69b - BOXES, Open, red, perf 12, on *block wmkd* thick wove, with 5 mm. controls

Note: According to John McKay the *lithographed* square red BOXES stamp, was control numbered to **138522**. The control number sequence was continued from this point with 193,980 of the *recess printed* vertical red BOXES "Division Open" stamp **RM-69**. Thus under the **1st BABN Contract**:

The square *lithographed* ran **000001** to **138522**, and the *recess printed* vertical "Division Open" **RM-69** ran from **138523** to **332502** on a variety of watermarked and unwatermarked paper.



★**RM-69b** - BOXES, red, Division Open, perforated 12, with 5 mm. control number **284182**,
Recess printed on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh thick wove,
used at *Windsor* by Licensee # 1, for 40 pounds of *Fine Cut*, with W. H. Entry 260,
signed by C. G. Fortier / Dep., dated 4 / 76, for August 1876

★**RM-69bn** - BOXES, red, Division Open, perforated 12, without control numbering,
Recess printed on *block watermarked* horizontal mesh thick wove

284182 ★	08/76	RM-69b	BOXES, red, Division Open, on block watermarked horizontal mesh wove used at <i>Windsor</i> , by Licensee # 1, Entry No. 260, on 40 lbs. of <i>Fine Cut</i> dated 4 .76 in August 1876, by C.G. Fortier / Dep.
284964 ★	06/76	RM-69b	BOXES, red, Division Open, on block watermarked horizontal mesh wove, used at <i>Windsor</i> , by Licensee # 1, on 41 lbs. of <i>Common Cut</i> dated 24 .77 in August 1876, Entry No. 1880, by C.G. Fortier / Dep.

Chris Ryan reports that C.G. Fortier was a "Secondary Collector" at Windsor from January 1st 1869 and that he was the "Acting Collector" from August 1st 1871 until June 30th 1872, and was a "Deputy Collector" when James Gow was named "Primary Collector" at Windsor on June 1st 1876. He became the "Primary Collector" at Hamilton on July 1st 1879.

--- RM-221 - RED - Division "Open" - "BOXES" - 1st BABN Contract (1880) ---

--- recess printed on *block watermarked horizontal* mesh thick wove - perforated 12 ---

--- with "W. H. Entry No." on the 4th line - 60 x 112 mm. - 5 mm. blue controls - scanned at 75% scale ---

--- overprinted **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** reading vertically down, in upper and lower case letters - post 1880 ---

Lee Brandom should list the Division "Open" red BOXES warehousing stamps in the order of printing as follows:

RM-221 - RM-69b overprinted with **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** in upper and lower case, reading down

RM-221a - RM-69b overprinted with **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** in upper and lower case, reading up - **WANTED!**

Note: According to John McKay the *lithographed* square red BOXES stamp, was control numbered to **138522**. The control number sequence was continued from this point with 193,980 of the *recess printed* vertical red BOXES "Division Open" stamp **RM-69**. Thus under the **1st BABN Contract**:

The square *lithographed* ran **000001** to **138522**, and the *recess printed* vertical "Division Open" **RM-69** ran from **138523** to **332502** on a variety of watermarked and unwatermarked paper.



★**RM-221** - BOXES, red, Division Open, perforated 12, with 5 mm. blue control number **331039**,
recess printed on *block watermarked* thick wove,
typographed **Not to cover more than 110 lbs.** reading vertically down

331022	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
331039 ★	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
331043	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
331061-62	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
66-67	RM-221	a block of four
331109	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
331122	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
331124	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
331126-27	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove
331128	RM-221	BOXES, red, Division Open, perf 12, on block watermarked thick wove

These are remainders

Chris Ryan reports in the “Canadian Revenue Newsletter”, No.41, of March 2003 that all CADDY and BOXES stamps were discontinued as of July 1st 1883.

If the final BOXES control number was to be $(138,522 + 193,980)$ **332502**, and the last listed control **331128** on **RM-221** was close to final, then it is possible that $332,502 - 331,128 = 1,374$ copies of **M-112** were initially used *without control numbering*.

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